

## LITERARY NOTES.

Mr. James Whitcomb Riley's poems are to be reprinted in London under the title of "Old-Fashioned Roses."

Mrs. Burnett has written for some coming number of "St. Nicholas" a short story of New York life. It is entitled "Little Saint Elizabeth." Miss F. C. Baylon has contributed what promises to be something interesting in "A Spoiled Darling," a story of English and American children contrasted.

"Little Ike Temple"! Slight but neat is that darkie sketch by Colonel Johnston in the October "St. Nicholas," and exceedingly clever are Kemble's illustrations. And Mr. Janvier's "Bilged Midshipman" is winning; and the story of the little pig, "The Great Man of the Family," has many a laugh in it.

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